

Soaring Beyond Their Wings

'N', 'O' Levels, IBDP Examination Results

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The student-athletes of 2015 who sat for national and international examinations have done well.

IBDP

Seven in 10 of Singapore Sports School's first cohort of student-athletes who sat for the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme Examinations in November 2015 has achieved 40 points and more, out of a maximum score of 45.

Among them, seven student-athletes were specially mentioned by Principal Tan Teck Hock when he released the results on 5 January 2016 afternoon – netball player Deborah Wong Weng Ee, pole vaulter Brian Ho Ren Jie, badminton players Bernard Ong Soon Yang and Clarabelle Koh Pei Lin, shooters Audrey Lim Jia Min and Nicole Tay Wei Ting, and bowler Daphne Oh Xin Yi. They were raised as role-models for having achieved commendable outcomes in both sports and studies.



IBDP student-athletes, who were given special mention, from left: Bernard Ong Soon Yang, Deborah Wong Weng Ee and Daphne Oh Xin Yi.

GCE 'O' Level

In the GCE "O" Level Examinations, every one of our 42 candidates qualify for a place in a polytechnic and 97.6 per cent are eligible for progression to a junior college or Millennia Institute. All candidates had passes in 5 subjects or more. Our student-athletes sat for a total of 17 subjects, of which 15 subjects saw pass rates higher than the national average.

The top student-athlete for 2015 is Brian Cheong Sze Kai (Fencing Academy), who scored 5 distinctions and an L1R5 of 9 points. Brian has Type 1 Diabetes, also known as Juvenile Diabetes,

and he needs daily insulin injections to cope with an immune system that destroys cells in his pancreas. To be able to manage such physical stress and still perform well in sports and studies is admirable.

Another student-athlete worthy of special mention is Sheana Ching Min Li (Bowling Academy). She joined the Sports School with a PSLE T-score of 169 and was admitted into the Normal Academic stream. She scored 2 distinctions and an L1R5 of 18 points. She will be continuing her post-secondary education at St Andrews Junior College via Direct School Admission.

GCE 'O' Level Examinations student-athletes who were specially mentioned by Principal, Mr Tan Teck Hock (left), when he announced the results – Sheana Ching Min Li, Cepheus R Chee Jiong Nian, Brian Cheong Sze Kai, Danish Irfan Azman, Qiu Yue and Louis Tee Jun Jie. Next to Louis are Vice-Principal, Mr Ho Beng Kiat, and Head of Year, Ms Lynn Quek.

Normal Academic

Two Secondary 4 Normal Academic student-athletes, Nicole Kon Su-Ann (Swimming Academy) and Maneshaa Singh Gharu (Netball Academy) qualified for the Polytechnic Foundation programme.

Normal Technical

Secondary 4 Normal Technical student-athlete Gerald Joseph Ting Yen Hong (Football Academy) made it to the through-train programme for ITE (Sports Class).



"Much of what Singapore Sports School is and stands for contributed largely to the person I am today. I spent the best four years of my teenhood here, and the final two finding out more about the young woman I have grown to be. Sports School impressed upon me the indispensability of excellence and resilience – values I will continue to hold in high regard long after having taken

my leave of the Sports School grounds. The formative years of my adolescence in secondary school were spent surrounded by loving and dedicated boarding staff, teachers, mentors, a wonderful coach and an inspiring principal. From them, I learnt the fine art of focusing on the journey rather than its destination. For ultimately, one's greatest takeaway will not be a trophy or certificate but the character one has developed and honed all the long years of discipline and diligence.

"The opportunity to grow up in a familial environment where student-athletes are encouraged to develop the less tangible attribute of compassion is also a unique quality of the Sports School that I hold dear to my heart. Home to five resident cats over which the student-athletes share a sense of collective ownership and responsibility, it has been my pleasure to witness countless displays of kindness from the student-athletes toward our feline companions. During my secondary school years, the familial warmth that the Sports School so effortlessly hosted was a hotbed for self-discovery and exploration, while simultaneously allowing me to press on towards my aspirations in a safe and nurturing environment. I am immensely grateful for my experience in the Sports School, and there is nothing in the world for which I would trade it."

*Deborah Wong Weng Ee (above picture), Netball Academy
2015 Graduating Student-Athlete, IBDP*



"Singapore Sports School is special to me – because this is my second family, my second home. Everyone knows each other and everyone is always friendly towards one another, even if it's just a wave or a simple greeting. The student-athletes and staff I meet through the day never fail to put a smile on my face. Sports School is where my heart will always belong. I wouldn't know who I am today if I went to another school. Sports School has contributed a huge amount to my character development and I'm thankful for that. The morals and values that sports taught me are priceless. Such opportunities were only possible because of the Sports School."

*Daphne Oh Xin Yi (above picture), Bowling Academy
2015 Graduating Student-Athlete, IBDP
President, Student's Council*



2015 GCE "O" Level Examinations
Passing with 5 or more Subjects:
National Average : 83.8%
Singapore Sports School: 100%

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Congratulations to our Singapore Sports School student-athletes for their excellent 2015 GCE "O" Level Examinations results.

I'm very pleased to learn that all the student-athletes who took the exams have passes in 5 subjects or more, surpassing the national average.

Well done, and all the very best for your future!

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Wonderful news to start the New Year – our students at both School of the Arts, Singapore and the Singapore Sports School had 100% pass rates for the 2015 International Baccalaureate exams.

Among them are Singapore's first batch of IB Career-related programme students from SOTA, and many of them have been offered places at art institutions in Singapore and abroad.

My heartiest congratulations to all graduates and their families. We're all very proud of you, and I wish you every success as you embark on your next chapter in life. Keep chasing the rainbow!



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